

Gang Leaders Sketched as They Appeared in Court After Battle

"CHICK TRIGGER."

JAKE SEIDEL.

VICTOR MARTELLO.



HARRIS BAKER.

Ten Hours of Crime by Murderous Gangs Shooting Up the City

In the ten hours following 5.30 o'clock last night there were six gun fights, inspired by the Apache warfare of rival gangs, on the streets of New York. One man was murdered, six were wounded and only four were arrested, though in some instances as many as fifty shots were fired in a crowded street.

Three of the six shootings were done from taxicabs or automobiles, the new vehicle of war for the terrorists. An automobile was used by the men who coolly murdered their picked victim in the Bronx.

Following is the record of ten hours of unchecked disorder: 5.30 o'clock—A fusillade from three moving taxicabs directed against "Chick Trigger," Sirocco gangster, at No. 241 Bowery.

7.30 o'clock—Rocco Cusano murdered by revolver fire from gangsters in front of his home at No. 591 Morris avenue, the Bronx. The gangsters escaped in an automobile.

8.30 o'clock—A revolver shot fired in the vicinity of Jack Poggi's saloon at 10 Chatham Square. A seventeen-year-old boy captured.

9 o'clock—Members of the Gopher Gang fire twenty shots at two bill posters on the corner of West Fifteenth street and Tenth avenue. Both bill posters wounded.

2 A. M.—Dick Curley, prize fight manager, fired upon from a moving automobile at No. 147 Third avenue.

3 A. M.—Two men wounded in a hot revolver duel between members of rival gangs at Ninth street and Second avenue.

fred from the machine, a like distance apart, and moving with the precision of war ships going into action. Trigger owed his life to his nimbleness, but his friend Mike Pugin, to whom he was talking, and who was a fraction slower, got a bullet in his foot. That no other person was injured or

A Woman's Smiles Lure Harlem Gangster to Death by Bullets

The fatal shooting of Rocco Cusano, known among his friends on the third-rate vaudeville stage as "Rocky Carson," was inspired by the jealousy of the Lupo-Morelli gang for Cusano's intimacy with women. Cusano had a nimble toe and a jaunty, peppy dash with the girls who go on Bergen Beach "outings," and for that reason his body was filled with bullets as he was coming down the steps of his home, No. 894 Morris avenue, the Bronx, last night. Cusano was well known in Harlem vaudeville houses, down at the old London on the Bowery and the Star in Brooklyn. When he came out in tight-fitting trousers and wearing a natty straw hat, the jingle of his toes on the resin always fetched the gun-chewing beauties and "Rocky" never lacked for a partner at a "racket" or a beer guzzle at College Point on a Sunday.

A month ago Cusano, in company with his cousin, Joe Talpin, a bruiser, who is known as "Knockout Warden" in the cheap athletic club fights, went down on Sunday to visit some friends who belong to the White Doves, a gang that has its headquarters on One Hundred and Thirtieth street between Second and Third avenues, in Harlem's Little Italy. The Doves mixed it with the Joe Bakers, a rival crowd of thugs, and at the time some of the Lupo-Morelli, who were in cahoots with the Joe Bakers, tried to "lay out" Cusano and his prize-fighter cousin.

"THE FLOWER" GETS CUSANO. THE GALLANT INTO TROUBLE. The wrath of the Lupo-Morelli toughs was increased when, at a subsequent "racket," the nimble-footed Cusano appeared with a black-eyed, red-lipped girl, who is known as "The Flower" up in the gas house quarter. And "The Flower" danced daintily through variegated intracoles of the "Mobile mop" and the "Reno wriggle" and the black-browed awails of the Lupo-Morelli gang promised Cusano that if he didn't chuck up "The Flower," they would kill him.

"Rocky" evidently had some sand above his shiny patent leathers, for last Sunday he and "The Flower" went

on in trying to run down the murderer. Cusano was carried by his cousin to a drug store nearby, but he was dead.

PRIZE FIGHT MANAGER, DICK CURLEY FIRED AT FROM TAXI IN BOWERY

"Dick" Curley, prize fight manager, said to live at the Hotel Albany, who makes his east side headquarters at the Bridge Cafe, Delancey street and Bowery, was fired upon early to-day by a man in an automobile as he was entering Cushman's coffee room at No. 147 Third avenue. He darted through the place and out the side entrance. It was reported that one of the bullets struck him, but it was impossible this morning to find Curley either at the Broadway hotel or any other place he usually frequents.

It is said Curley had brought the enemy of the Fourteenth street gangsters upon him by his attentions to several young women whom he had taken out in his machine. He had come down from the bout that his fighter, Packey Hommey, had with Tommy Houck at St. Nicholas rink.

It was 2 o'clock when he started to enter the coffee room, which is at the northeast corner of Third avenue and Fifteenth street. A dark taxicab, with the number 304, followed him. He could not be deciphered, trailed him slowly from Fourteenth street, but as he heard the door of the place drew up to him.

Three shots were fired in quick succession, and Curley plunged into the place and out into Fifteenth street, running toward Stuyvesant Park. The taxi shot up Third avenue like a rocket and went west in Sixteenth street.

THREATENS MRS. GOELET AND IS SENT TO BELLEVUE

August Ackerman Had Also Demanded \$1,000 From Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont.

August Ackerman, thirty-four years old, who called himself an inventor, and said he lived at No. 238 East Thirtieth street, was committed to-day to the observation ward in Bellevue Hospital by Magistrate Krotel, after he had been arraigned in the Yorkville Court charged with sending threatening letters to Mrs. Robert Goelet at the Goelet home, No. 891 Fifth avenue, and to Louise & Co., dressmakers, No. 241 Fifth avenue.

A representative of Louise & Co. appeared as complainant against Ackerman. The detective who arrested him, informed the Court that the man had confessed writing begging and threatening letters to Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont as well as Mrs. Goelet. In his last letter to Mrs. Goelet he demanded \$1,000 to be paid in weekly installments of \$200. When arrested he had one hundred letters in his pocket, all of them couched in wild and incoherent language. Magistrate Krotel said after reading some of the letters the man was undoubtedly insane.

WASHINGTON REPUDIATES RULING ON SOCIALIST.

Judge Hanford Ordered to Reopen Case of Oleson Whose Citizenship Papers Were Cancelled.

WASHINGTON, June 5.—President Taft and Attorney-General Wickersham to-day ordered Federal officials at Seattle to grant a new trial to Leonard Oleson, whose citizenship papers were cancelled by Federal Judge Hanford at Seattle, because Oleson was a Socialist. Representative Berger, the Wisconsin Socialist, to-day prepared an impeachment indictment against Hanford for presentation in the House to-morrow. Berger was cloistered with the President for an hour and later said both Taft and the Attorney-General absolutely repudiated Hanford's ruling and will furnish all papers in the Government's possession in connection with the Hanford case, for any investigation of the matter by the House. That Oleson had been done "gross injustice" was stated by Attorney-General Wickersham in a letter to-day received by Berger.

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FORTUNE TELLER "GAVE" HUSBAND TO RICH WIDOW

'Man of Mystery' Took Fiancee to Own Wife, Who Urged the Wedding.

DECAMPS WITH WEALTH

Sumptuous Presents Returned—Bride-to-Be Is Prostrated.

Stretched on a sick bed in the home of her sister, Mrs. William Barrows, at No. 157 Eightieth street, Bay Ridge, and surrounded by thousands of dollars' worth of wedding presents, Mrs. M. E. Kennedy, a wealthy widow, told her lawyer this afternoon how she had given \$40,370 to the fascinating "Edward J. Santelle," who was to have wed her to-morrow night, but who has mysteriously vanished.

Still in the spell of the remarkable fascination the suave and good looking young man of mystery cast upon her, the forty-three-year-old widow was loth to believe the report she got last night that he has a wife and family living, and that the wife is the fortune teller she consulted at Coney Island and who told her that "Edward" was her "fate."

The news that her fiance was a married man came by telephone last night, and Mrs. Kennedy collapsed. The wedding invitations had been recalled because the reason that the bridegroom-to-be had not revealed himself for several weeks.

Mrs. Kennedy did not tell all the story of her courtship by "Santelle" to Lawyer John A. Canavan, of the firm of Crook & Crook, but she did reveal that within the past year she had turned over to the young man—he is about thirty years old—\$40,370, which he said he would invest for her, but of which she has had no accounting.

FORTUNE TELLER WAS WIFE OF THE WOOER.

A year ago, shortly after the widow had consulted the fortune teller, who is alleged to be the wife of "Santelle," she gave the young man \$10,000. Last April she gave him a check for \$25,270, and early in May she gave him \$4,000, which he was to return last Saturday. Mrs. Kennedy has not seen the borrowing fiancee since Decoration Day. He told her then that he would return the \$4,000 he borrowed last Saturday. The other money he was supposed to have invested for her. She gave him a power of attorney that permitted him to open her safe deposit box, where she had about \$50,000 in bonds and securities. She has not investigated to learn if the young man helped himself to any of these.

When he did not show up last Saturday Mrs. Kennedy began to worry. She had bought a \$200 cottage and furnished it luxuriously. This cottage adjoins her sister's home on Eightieth street, Bay Ridge. She was to have moved there, after the wedding. But when "Santelle" dropped out of sight the widow's relatives insisted on investigating the bridegroom-to-be. Mrs. Kennedy had not permitted them to look him up before. They could learn nothing reassuring and the wedding invitations were recalled. Just what will do now depends upon a consultation between Mrs. Kennedy and her lawyers.

This afternoon she was inclined still to have faith in the missing man. Upon the advice of her relatives, the deserted bride-to-be has been ordered all the wedding presents packed up and shipped back to the donors this afternoon.

NEW YORKER KILLS SELF.

Adolph Meyer Ends Life in Hotel at Atlantic City.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., June 5.—Adolph Meyer of New York shot and killed himself to-day in an Atlantic avenue hotel, where he took a room Tuesday night. The police gained entrance to the room through a window from a porch roof. Meyer was found dead with a pistol wound in the head. A revolver was still clutched in his right hand.

In the room were found \$1.35, a pair of antique gold earrings and an old silver watch and chain. Nothing is known here as to his identity other than that he has conducted a bakery in New York. He has been in the city only two days. An envelope bearing the printed address, H. C. Myer Company, 25 Leonard street, New York, was found in his pocket.

COLUMBIA MAKES A LOUD DEMAND FOR FOOTBALL

Six Hundred Graduates Cheer Twenty Minutes While President Frowns.

There was a demonstration at the Alumni Luncheon of the Columbia University this afternoon in favor of football, which for several years has been excluded from the university's athletics. Led by two old stars of the gridiron, John Jerome Kelly and Dave Smythe, the six hundred graduates burst into cheers of approval of the game. The two old stars led the cheering by shouting:

"We want football! We want football!"

Nearly every man in the big room took up the cry with the exception of President Butler, who, responsible for the ousting of the game, kept strictly and sternly aloof from any participation in the demonstration. The President frowned and seemed rather displeased at the outburst of approval of football. The demonstration lasted for twenty minutes. The band joined in and rendered its share to the gaudy of the occasion.

After the luncheon was over the graduates continued cheering for the reinstatement of the old game in the university. The hope later that it might be reinstated among the college sports.

Before the outburst in favor of football, President Butler announced a gift to the University of \$200,000. This announcement was greeted with cheers by the six hundred graduates present, who shouted and yelled their approval. President Butler explained that the gift came to the University under a provision in the will of the late Francis P. Fernald and will be used for the construction of a dormitory at One Hundred and Fourteenth street and Broadway. Work on the excavations for this new building will start to-morrow.

Another announcement which nearly raised the roof and indicated the interest of the graduates in the athletic life of the university was made by the class of 1902. This class has pledged the sum of \$4,000, which will be invested and, after the lapse of twenty-five years, will be turned over to the university, both principal and interest, for the development of sports and athletics in Columbia.

HOCKING VALLEY POOL CAUSES BIG LAW SUIT.

As a result of a secret investigation by the New York Stock Exchange a lawsuit that will involve millions, growing out of the old Hocking Valley pool, engineered by James R. Keene, was filed to-day in the Supreme Court. The plaintiffs are Sidney S. Schuyler, John R. Charwick, Charles E. Burghen, James W. Murphy and William F. Osborn who bring action as holders of voting trust certificates of the Hocking Valley Products Company. They also sue in behalf of other holders of voting trust certificates.

The complaint, which comprises one hundred typewritten pages, recites the history of the Hocking Valley pool and its crash and states that the Hocking Valley Products Company is an outgrowth of the old pool holdings. The complaint charges the voting trustees with collusion with the directors and officers of the Charities Oil Company in executing a lease of its oil and gas lands in Ohio, said to be worth several millions. It is charged that the defendants had no right to do this. The lease is said to be a lease for years and that an accounting of all the profits derived from the lease be made to the Court.

The New York Stock Exchange has been investigating this matter quietly

for several weeks. The matter was then placed in the hands of Attorney W. Benton Clapp of No. 50 Broadway, who brought action.

ROOSEVELT WINS IN SOUTH DAKOTA.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., June 5.—With returns far from complete, it appeared to-day that Col. Roosevelt will have the entire delegation of South Dakota to the Republican National Convention. Only a small part of the State had been heard from, but the reports from scattered sections gave the Colonel a comfortable majority. Estimates placed Roosevelt's plurality at from 10,000 to 12,000.



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